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Statement on Assembly Action of ‘Right-to-Work’ Legislation *Senate Bill 44 is Wrong for Wisconsin*

MADISON – Today Rep. Stuck (D-Appleton) gave her maiden speech on the floor of the State Assembly. Rep. Stuck questioned the reasoning for fast-tracking the ‘Right-to-Work’ bill and commented on its negative impacts on the State of Wisconsin.

“The 57th Assembly District and the entire Paper Valley was built by hard-working members of industrial labor unions. Those workers raised the standard of living in our community, which helped not only the members but their neighbors who benefited from what they built.”

“While the Legislature sat inside debating this bill, my husband and other Sheet Metal Workers worked hard, outside in the cold temperatures on a dangerous platform one hundred thirty-five feet in the air. He travels every day to job sites across the country, because other states don’t have the skilled and dedicated workers that Republicans are taking for granted in Wisconsin.”

“The Governor, Leaders in the Assembly and Leadership in the Senate until recently thought that ‘Right-to-Work’ was a distraction, that ‘it is not going to happen’ here in Wisconsin. That tune has changed quickly to help cover up and distract people from the Governor’s misplaced priorities in the Budget. Luckily, they have underestimated my constituents and the Citizens of Wisconsin, who are more than able to keep track of the many bad proposals put forward by Governor Walker and Legislative Republicans.”

“This bill was put forward without any author and co-sponsors, without any member of the majority party who was willing to put their name on this bill. Perhaps that’s because none of them actually authored, that WMC and ALEC were doing the heavy lifting behind the scenes for this ignoble cause.”

“Senate Bill 44 won’t move Wisconsin forward, it’s moving the State Backwards and is a partisan attack on organized labor. This bill won’t help create jobs in Wisconsin, it will reduce the number of highly skilled workers, reduce wages and only highlight the Republican’s failure to create jobs and turn Wisconsin’s economy around. Not one of my constituents contacted me asking for lower wages and fewer skilled workers.”

“I know that my constituents and the residents of the Paper Valley will not be fooled by this legislation and that they won’t forget who pushed for this bill.”

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